



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: September 20, 2007

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item IV(a): Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Terra Form Landscape Company for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Terra Form Landscape Company for in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.

Background: The Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project is currently under construction, and the authorized improvements are 98% complete. Change orders to the original bid have totaled less than 10%, leaving a portion of the contingency budget unspent. Improvements to be added to the project include additional trees, visitor amenities, and picnic areas.

Because the project is so close to completion, expected to open in November, the standard three-bid process would delay public use of the park, and could also result in higher costs for later mobilization. Terra Form Landscape Company has previously completed satisfactory work of this type for MRCA at Ballona Creek and Mulholland Overlooks.